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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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1. Claims: 1-44,52

A cutting device comprising a forward blade carrier and a rearward handle spaced from the forward blade carrier

2. Claims: 45-50

A cutting device comprising a blade carrier, a device engagement arrangement and a blade adjustment arrangement

3. Claim : 51

A cutting device comprising a blade carrier and a lubrication arrangement

4. Claims: 53-59

A blade for a cutting tool

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